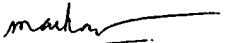


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<p align="center">DECLARATION OF WILHELM A. PALMEN UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.132</p> <p>Address to: Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D.C. 20231</p>	Attorney Docket	2300-1492
	First Named Inventor	Williams, et al.
	Application Number	09/404,706
	Filing Date	September 23, 1999
	Group Art Unit	1631
	Examiner Name	J. Zhou
	Title	Human Genes and Gene Expression Products

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Dear Sir:

I declare as follows:

1. I, Wilhelm A. Palmen, am U.S. Docketing Clerk for Bozicevic, Field & Francis LLP. I have been employed by Bozicevic, Field & Francis LLP since March 1, 1999.
2. I have reviewed the file of the above-referenced U.S. patent application. The file indicates that correspondence from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is to be directed to Chiron Corporation, the assignee of the above-referenced application. Copies of the correspondence are then forwarded to Bozicevic, Field & Francis LLP via either mail or facsimile, or both. The file further indicates that we received no correspondence from either the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office or from Chiron Corporation between the dates of December 1, 2001 and January 31, 2002.
3. The procedure we currently employ to handle all incoming mail and facsimiles to Bozicevic, Field & Francis LLP is as follows:
 - a. The receptionist receives all incoming mail and creates a log of all incoming mail, noting the responsible attorney, the Attorney Docket number, the Application Serial Number and the type of correspondence (e.g., whether the mail relates to a communication from the U.S. Patent Office, such as an Office Action).
 - b. The receptionist also receives all incoming facsimiles and creates a log of all incoming facsimiles, noting the responsible attorney, the Attorney

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- c. All incoming mail and facsimiles are then forwarded to Ms. Janene Bigham, the senior paralegal responsible for overseeing all aspects of foreign and U.S. docketing. The mail is then separated based on whether it relates to foreign or U.S. applications.
- d. Ms. Bigham creates a manual, hand-written log of all incoming mail and facsimiles that relate to U.S. applications and which have associated due dates (such as an Office Action). The log notes the responsible attorney, the Attorney Docket number, U.S. Application Serial Number, the type of correspondence and the due date.
- e. All incoming mail and facsimiles relating to U.S. applications are subsequently forwarded to me. The mail and facsimiles are then matched with their corresponding files.
- f. The relevant information provided in each piece of incoming mail or each incoming facsimile, such as the type of correspondence, due dates, and dates of available extensions of time, is entered into software that manages relevant information for U.S. applications. This mail or facsimile is then considered to be "docketed."
- g. The files along with their corresponding docketed mail or facsimiles are then forwarded to the attorney or agent responsible for the application.

4. The firm's incoming mail log indicates that nothing was received from the United States Patent and Trademark Office or Chiron Corporation by mail relating to United States Patent Application No. 09/404,706 (Atty Docket No. 2300-1492), between the dates of December 1, 2001 through January 31, 2002. A copy of the mail log, which is redacted for confidential information such as U.S. Application Serial Numbers, is enclosed as "Exhibit A."

5. The firm's incoming facsimile log indicates that nothing was received from the United States Patent and Trademark Office or Chiron Corporation by facsimile relating to United States Patent Application No. 09/404,706 (Atty Docket No. 2300-1492), between the dates of December 1, 2001 through January 31, 2002. A copy of the facsimile log, which is redacted for confidential information such as U.S. Application Serial Numbers, is enclosed as "Exhibit B."

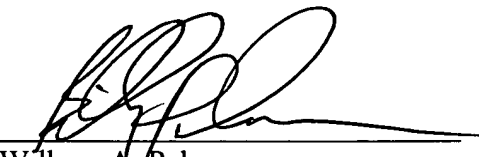
6. The software-generated docket created by me indicates that nothing was received from the United States Patent and Trademark Office or Chiron Corporation by mail relating to United States Patent Application No. 09/404,706 (Atty Docket No. 2300-1492), between the dates of December 1, 2001 through January 31, 2002. A copy of the software-

generated docket relating to United States Patent Application No. 09/404,706 (Atty Docket No. 2300-1492) is enclosed as "Exhibit C."


7. The manually generated log created by Ms. Bigham indicates that nothing was received from the United States Patent and Trademark Office or Chiron Corporation by mail or facsimile relating to United States Patent Application No. 09/404,706 (Atty Docket No. 2300-1492), between the dates of December 1, 2001 through January 31, 2002. A copy of the manually generated log, which is redacted for confidential information such as U.S. Application Serial Numbers, is enclosed as "Exhibit D."

8. I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title XVIII of the United States Code, and that such will false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

July 10, 2002
Date



Wilhem A. Palmen

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	Examiner Name	J. Zhou
	Title	<i>Human Genes and Gene Expression Products</i>

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Dear Sir:

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1. I, Deborah Mark, am a Patent Administrator II in the Intellectual Property Department for Chiron Corporation. I have been employed by Chiron Corporation since December 30, 1993.

2. I have reviewed the file of the above-referenced U.S. patent application. The file indicates that correspondence from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is to be directed to Chiron Corporation, the assignee of the above-referenced application. Copies of the correspondence are then forwarded to Bozicevic, Field & Francis LLP via either mail or facsimile, or both. The file further indicates that we received no correspondence from the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office between the dates of December 1, 2001 and January 31, 2002.

3. The procedure the Intellectual Property Department for Chiron Corporation currently employs to handle all incoming mail and facsimiles is as follows:

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- b. The Administrative Assistant for the Intellectual Property Department distributes all incoming mail and facsimiles relating to U.S. patent applications to me.
- c. The relevant information provided in each piece of incoming mail or each incoming facsimile, such as the type of correspondence, due dates, and dates of available extensions of time, is entered into a database that manages relevant information for all Chiron Corporation patent applications. This mail or facsimile is then considered "docketed."
- d. The mail and facsimiles are then matched with their corresponding files and are then forwarded to the attorney responsible for the application via the attorney's assistant.
- e. The database-generated docket created by me indicates that nothing was received from the United States Patent and Trademark by mail or facsimile relating to United States Patent Application No. 09/404,706 (Atty Docket No. 2300-1492; Chiron Docket No. PP01492.002), between the dates of December 1, 2001 through January 31, 2002. A copy of the database-generated docket relating to United States Patent Application No. 09/404,706 (Atty Docket No. 2300-1492; Chiron Docket No. PP01492.002) is enclosed as "Exhibit A."

4. I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title XVIII of the United States Code, and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issuing thereon.

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